# FISCAL NOTE SB 1452 - HB 1175

March 20, 2001

## **SUMMARY OF BILL:**

- 1. Implements the Tennessee International Trade and Export Development Act of 2001 which establishes a 9-member advisory council to promote marketing opportunities for small and medium-sized companies and farms to compete in foreign markets.
- 2. Provides that for administrative purposes only, the advisory council shall be attached to the Department of Economic and Community Development.
- 3. Provides that the council shall meet at least quarterly and members will receive reimbursement for travel expenses.
- 4. Authorizes the advisory council to: create subcommittees related to its purpose; conduct hearings; employ staff, subject to the availability of funds; enter into contracts for technical or professional services, subject to the availability of funds, and perform such other duties as are required.

## **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

## **Increase State Expenditures - \$13,302**

## Estimate assumes:

- The total cost for each meeting of the advisory council is estimated to be approximately \$1,717.
- The advisory council will hold 6 meetings per year in Nashville.
- Administrative costs of \$3,000 for the Department of Economic and Community Development for correspondence mailings of the advisory council and preparation of the annual report.

## **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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